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SANITARY REPORTS FROM THE CENTRAL AMERICAN AND COLOMBIAN FRUIT PORTS.

BRITISH HONDURAS.

Report from Belize.

BELIZE, BRITISH HONDURAS, *October 20, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit my report for the week ended October 20. There has been only 1 steamer sailing this week for ports in the United States. The steamer *Stillwater* sails this afternoon for New Orleans with fruit and sundries to the United Fruit Company. There are 2 passengers from Belize this trip. I have inspected the steamer and all on board, and find all well and the steamer in good sanitary condition. The anitary conditions of Belize is fair and there is no infectious or contagious disease in Belize or near surrounding colony. Weather warm and dry. Malarial fevers prevailing.

Respectfully, yours, C. W. KNIGHT,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

List of deaths registered in the town of Belize from the 13th instant to date.

BELIZE, *October 19, 1899.*

Certified by medical practitioner: Pleuro-pneumonia, 1; senectus, 1.
Certified by district commissioner or police, none.
Certified by coroner, none.
Uncertified, none; total, 2.

A. K. YOUNG,
Registrar-General.

COSTA RICA.

Report from Port Limon.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, *October 20, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith report for the week ended Thursday, October 19, 1899:

The following vessels have cleared from here for ports in the United States during said week:

October 14, steamship *Franklin*, Rasmussen, master, crew, 14, number of passengers, 1, cleared for New Orleans direct; steamship *Hispania*, Frockberg, master, crew, 21, passengers, none, cleared for New Orleans direct; U. S. steamship *Vixen*, Kimball, commander, medical officer, Wm. H. Bell, crew, 72, cleared for Port Royal, S. C. October 16, steamship *Altai*, Morris, master, crew, 41, passengers, 2, cleared for New York, N. Y. October 19, steamship *Anselm*, McFarlane, master, crew, 36, passengers, 16, cleared for New Orleans direct.

Three deaths have occurred in this port during the past week, colored infants, 1 the result of gastritis, and the other 2 the result of ascaris-lumbricoides.

Port Limon and vicinity remain free from contagious or infectious diseases.

The Limon charity hospital has a record of 7 males, 3 of whom are white and are ordinary cases of malarial fever; the rest are surgical and unimportant.

The Port Limon Railway Hospital has 3 patients, 1 white male with malarial fever, and 2 surgical cases.

Respectfully, yours,

WM. H. CARSON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

GUATEMALA.

Report from Livingston.

LIVINGSTON, GUATEMALA, *October 18, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to report no change in the health condition of this port and vicinity. No death since my last report.

Only 1 vessel is reported thus far this week: October 19, *Stillwater;* Galt, master; crew, 30; laborers, 22; passengers, 4; destination, New Orleans via Belize.

Respectfully, yours,

NORWOOD K. VANCE,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

HONDURAS.

Report from Puerto Cortez.

PUERTO CORTEZ, HONDURAS, *October 18, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to report this place free from infection or contagion. With the continued daily rains and a higher temperature, 90° to 91° F., there is a marked increase of malarial fever, with some diarrhea and dysentery, not of a grave type, however. One death since last report, an infant, 1 year old, with fever and convulsions.

The increasing fruit and cattle trade has brought to this port the past two weeks, an average of a ship daily. They have all seemed to be in a fair sanitary condition and crews in good health.

Since last report I have inspected and certified the following vessels: Steamship *Breakwater*; Captain Revera; 30 men in crew; 8 passengers; New Orleans; fruit and mail. Steamship *Bergwseron*, Bentzen; 15 men; 3 passengers; Moble; fruit. Steamship *Themi*, Anderson; 37 crew; 8 passengers; New York; general cargo. Steamship *Uto*, Anderson; 20 men; Havana; cattle. Steamship *Jamaica*; Petersen; 18 men; Havana; cattle. Steamship *Alabama*, Sieretsen; 18 men; 8 passengers; New Orleans; fruit. Steamship *Ardanmohe*, Johnston; 33 men; Havana; cattle. Steamship *Stillwater*, Gault; 30 men; 4 passengers; New Orleans; fruit and mail.

Respectfully, yours,

L. A. WAILES, M. D.,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

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U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

NICARAGUA.

Report from Bluefields.

BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA, *October 21, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following weekly report: Three steamships have been inspected and cleared, all for New Orleans, the